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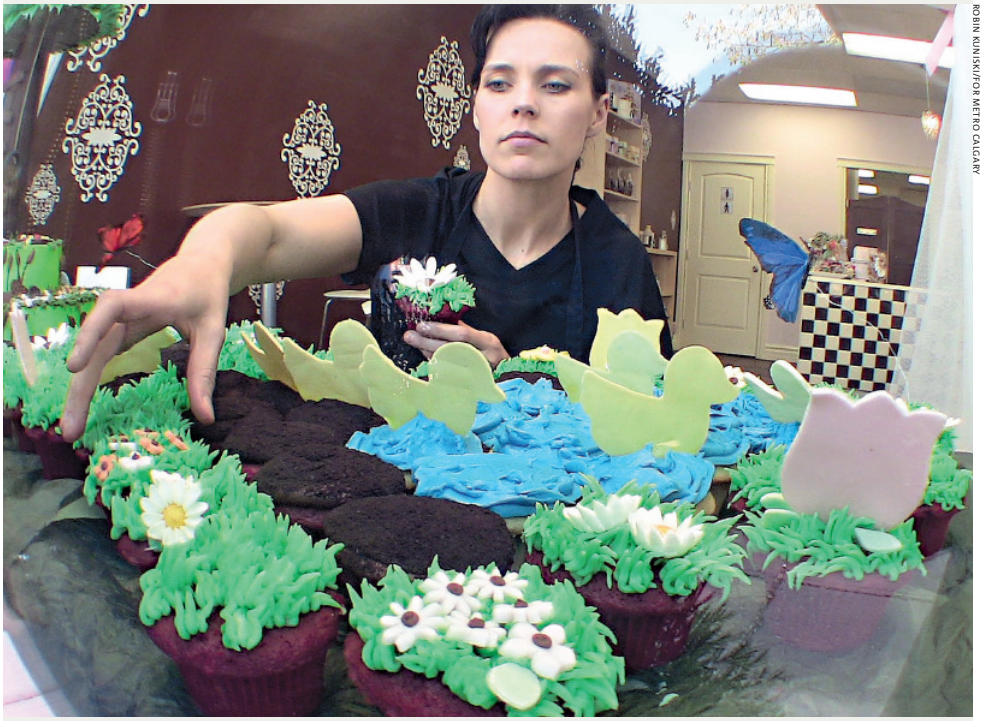

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Kari Richardson, owner of Buttercream Bake Shoppe, arranges spring-themed muffins in the window display as the winter season is melting away and spring is popping up all around.

'Minor wins' for students

Province OK's two U of C tuition hikes, but rejects most

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University of Calgary students are breathing a collective sigh of relief after the provincial government approved only two course tuition hikes out of a requested 10 yesterday.

Minister of Advanced Education and Technology Doug Horner announced a one-time tuition fee adjustment of between $800 and $3,300 per year for six professional programs across Alberta, including the commerce and business administration programs at the University of Calgary.

"These have not been easy decisions to make. You have to look at the proposals on a case-by-case basis," Horner said.

"In the end, what it really comes down to is finding the right balance between affordability and quality. The six proposals I have accepted find that balance."

While students aren't entirely happy with the increases, U of C Students' Union vice-president external Kay She said they did win a few small victories.

Out of 10 proposed tuition hikes "only two were approved, so those are minor wins," She said. "And now there is some certainty."

She was particularly pleased to see the tuition hikes for the courses will only come into effect in 2011, instead of bombarding current students with the extra costs in the fall, but she is concerned about mandatory fee hikes.

"We are worried they will be increasing compulsory fees at a meeting on Monday, and that is definitely something that will impact students hard."

Liberal Advanced Education critic Harry Chase said Alberta post-secondary students are victims in the "provincial government's failure to properly manage the public purse."

"For the past several years, the (government) was encouraging these institutions to expand and grow. Now the funding has abruptly stopped, leaving them with extra costs and no new money," he said.

Images released in search for offender

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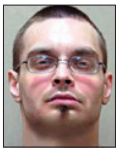
POLICE New photos of a missing, "predatory" high-risk offender have been released by the Calgary police in hopes of warning Calgarians.

Curtis Dale Hill, 30, was released from the Calgary Remand Centre on March 26 and within hours breached his release conditions, according to police.

"Even after serving a 10-year sentence in a federal prison, we believe Hill is a risk to the public," Const. Gene Newcombe of the high-risk offender unit said yesterday.



Curtis Dale Hill

"We expected this from him and now we just have to get him back."

Hill has been convicted of armed robbery, burglary, uttering threats and assaulting a police officer.

Due to Hill's "limited" options to alter his appearance, police issued images of what he may look like today and asked for anyone with information to come forward.

"Hill is predatory and opportunistic and uses violence to achieve his goals. (He is) particularly violent toward authority figures," Newcombe added.

Hill may be in Edmonton or Red Deer.

Police warned the public not to approach him if he's spotted and to instead call the authorities right away.

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McLachlan, ballet to collaborate

Sarah McLachlan and Alberta Ballet are set to collaborate in unison with music from the artist's new album The Laws of Illusion is set to be released in June 2010. The McLachlan ballet project was announced yesterday as Alberta Ballet revealed its new season lineup. McLachlan will also be performing in Lilith Fair this June. METRO CALGARY

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DELAY Sentencing has been delayed for a Calgary woman who was convicted of manslaughter in the death of her daughter in 2007. The crown and the justice agreed the psychological reports were incomplete for Aset Magomadora and adjourned until a more complete assessment is available in approximately two weeks.

IDENTIFIED The chief medical officer officially released the name of the 58-year-old woman who died in a southwest house fire Tuesday. Brenda Jean Rumpel died from injuries sustained in the Strathcona fire.

COLLISION Transit riders were delayed almost an hour yesterday afternoon after a man was struck by a C-Train at the SAIT station. A man in his 50s was rushed to hospital in critical condition. Crews worked quickly to get transit service back up and running. Police are investigating. METRO CALGARY

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Red Mile may turn blue

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With the Calgary Flames out of the playoff picture, the Red Mile might just have to start catering to Canuckleheads.

Normally all about serving Flames fans, Melrose Cafe and Bar owner Wayne Leong said his popular sports lounge will start showing games featuring the Vancouver Canucks during the NHL playoffs.

"We're forced to become Canuck fans now, we truly are," Leong said. "It's positive that there's a Canadian team out west still in the playoffs."

LAURENCE HEINEN/FOR METRO CALGARY

Jaclyn Gee shows that Melrose Cafe and Bar is still open for business despite the Calgary Flames missing the playoffs for the first time since 2003.

Leong would have rather seen the Flames go on another lengthy playoff run like they did back in 2004 when they came within one victory of winning the Stanley Cup.

"It is very disappointing," said Leong, estimating that business on weekday nights is likely to drop by 20 to 30 per cent while weekend sales shouldn't see any sizeable impact. "It's definitely going to impact our business for sure. Weekends aren't as bad. Summer is around the corner."

Meanwhile at the Black Swan Ale House in southwest Calgary, owner/operator Kade Klimchuk said Calgary's lacklustre play down the stretch run prompted many fans to go missing in action.

"It has really taken a bit of the swagger out of Flames fans," said Klimchuk, who also recalled Calgary's stellar showing six seasons ago. "We probably saw a 20 per cent increase in those months when the Flames made that run. That's something we were looking forward to, but we'll have to wait again until next year."

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Grey Cup brought $28M to city: Report

TOURISM What do four days, 121,000 fans and $28 million have in common? The 2009 Calgary Grey Cup Festival.

Tourism Calgary released the 2009 Calgary Grey Cup Festival economic impact for the city yesterday and said the four-day event brought more than 32,000 people to the city.

"Once again Calgary has proven we can throw a great party. These kinds of events ... are one way we showcase Calgary to the world," Tourism Calgary CEO Randy Williams said.

"The boost to the city and the local tourism industry from the Grey Cup Festival is outstanding — over $28 million generated through new tourism expenditures in accommodation, hospitality, retail and transportation. What a terrific result."

KRISTA SYLVESTER/METRO CALGARY

Best New Products **Shopping spree winners**

LAURENCE HEINEN/FOR METRO CALGARY

Metro Calgary readers Lauren Tokarek, from left, Jason Weightman and Marie Belanger show off the prizes they won for taking part in the Best New Product Awards Shopping Spree yesterday at the Rexall Pharma Plus location in Harvest Hills. For finishing first, Tokarek won a $250 Rexall Pharma Plus gift card and a $250 Best New Products prize pack, while Weightman and Belanger each won a prize pack and a $150 Rexall gift card as first and second runners-up.

Tinder-dry conditions have officials worried

WILDFIRES Officials in Alberta are growing increasingly concerned about tinder-dry conditions across the province this spring.

Sustainable Resource Minister Mel Knight says there have been 44 wildfires so far in 2010.

Knight says that's five times the average for this time of year, adding that the situation is becoming "very serious."

He says many areas are extremely dry — the result of low soil moisture and little snowfall over the winter.

The minister also says it's important for Albertans to be cautious when outdoors.

Several municipalities in Alberta have already invoked bans on open fires.

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Charges laid in rabbit-hoarding case

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Canada

Cops to help fight child abuse in Haiti

Three Canadian police officers are heading to quake-ravaged Haiti to help protect children from sexual exploitation on the Internet. The federal government says the month-long deployment is a project of the Canadian Police Centre for Missing and Exploited Children. The officers will be based in the Haitian capital of Port-au-Prince and will help the country's national police force develop their capacity to protect children from online sexual exploitation. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Toronto **Raging torrent**

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Demonstrators held blue banners and shouted slogans during a march in downtown Toronto yesterday. The march called for restitution for cases of mercury poisoning, which it claims are affecting the health of the community in Grassy Narrows, Ont. Demonstrators used blue fabric to create a "wild river," which they marched to the Ontario legislature.

Recovery leading G7 peers, says OECD

Canada's economy is blowing its G7 peers out of the water in terms of the speed and strength of its economic recovery, says a new outlook from a leading international organization.

The Paris-based Organization for Economic Development and Co-operation says Canada's economy likely grew 6.2 per cent in the first quarter of this year, well ahead of the 1.9 per cent overall growth estimated for the other G7 countries.

And the 30-member organization, representing the world's advanced nations including the G7, says Canada's economy will continue to expand in the second quarter — March to June — at 4.5 per cent, about twice the G7 average.

"Canada is benefiting from its past good policies, in spite of the fact that Canada was severely hit through trade ... from south of the border," said OECD chief economist Pier Carlo Padoan.

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Who's who

- The United States, United Kingdom, Japan, Italy, Germany and France are the other G7 countries. Brazil, China, India and Russia aren't currently full members of the OECD, despite the growing international importance of their economies.

MP wants action on TV transition

DIGITAL Industry Minister Tony Clement says he doesn't want delays in the transition from analog to digital TV, despite loud warnings from networks and consumer advocates that Canada is far from ready for it.

An estimated 900,000 Canadian households that rely on antennas don't have televisions equipped to receive those new digital signals, due to begin in August 2011. About another 44,000 won't have access to TV at all unless they invest in a satellite dish. "I'm really going to try and avoid postponing ... I would really like to stick to the deadline," Clement said.

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Study reveals positive picture of urban aboriginals

HEATHER BUCHAN
for Metro Canada

FIRST NATIONS A study released this week paints a very different picture of life for Aboriginal Peoples living in Canada's urban centres than the usual one of despair.

Called the Urban Aboriginal Peoples Study, the first-of-its-kind report paints a positive image, capturing the values and aspirations of Canada's aboriginal population, one that is ever increasing in cities across the country.

"When urban Aboriginal Peoples are researched, it's often about problems like homelessness and sexual exploitation," says Ginger Gosnell Myers, the study's project manager.

"There are hundreds of thousands of us living in cities, and there are a lot of positive thing happening in our communities."

"It's not all crises."

Nearly 3,000 interviews were conducted with Aboriginal Peoples living in Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Regina, Saskatoon, Winnipeg, Thunder Bay, Toronto, Montreal, Halifax and Ottawa in an effort to better understand their values, identities, experiences and aspirations, and to also inform public policy and planning initiatives. Not only does the study conclude that aboriginal peoples are an increasingly significant social, political and economic presence in Canada's 11 largest cities, but that they in fact display a higher tolerance for other cultures than some non-aboriginal Canadians.

Also among the key findings: the majority of Aboriginal Peoples want to become a significant part of the urban landscape; education is their top priority; and they have high aspirations for the next generation to succeed.

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Talking growth? Well, Calgary isn't Vancouver
Vancouver is expected to lead other major Canadian cities in growth this year, thanks in part to the Winter Olympics, says the Conference Board of Canada. The group estimates Vancouver's economy will grow four per cent this year. Calgary is projected to advance by 2.8 per cent. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Way to go, Clara **Skater's the toast of Canada**

SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Olympic cyclist and speed skater Clara Hughes, 37, receives the Order of Canada from Gov. Gen. Michaëlle Jean during a ceremony at Rideau Hall in Ottawa yesterday. Hughes has won multiple Olympic medals in both sports. She is also involved in international humanitarian work.

New test smokes out the doomed smokers

Smoking kills. But just who will die?

A new screening technique can predict about three-quarters of the smokers who will develop lethal lung cancers, say authors of a groundbreaking study.

What's more, the biochemical signatures captured by the screen in most cancer-prone smokers could be blocked by a new drug that could prevent the disease from progressing, according to the study released yesterday.

"An early detection tool is ... ready for prime time."
Dr. Avrum Spira

"The idea that you can detect ... those smokers that are at highest risk to develop lung cancer, either at an early stage or before it actually occurs, is going to have an enormous, immediate impact," said Dr. Avrum Spira, the senior study author.

The screen uses cells swabbed from a smoker's windpipe.

For most people who have or are likely to develop lung cancer, the cells reveal a genetic clue that does not exist in smokers who will not get cancer.

The technique should be in clinics within the next 12 months, says Spira of the Boston Medical Centre.

"An early detection tool is really ready for prime time," he said.

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No crisis for MPs' pensions

CASH MPs saw their pension fund swell by 10 per cent in the recession.

It was immune because its interest rate is set by regulation.

A report on the pension fund for MPs and senators shows the fund earned a enviable quarterly interest rate of 2.5 per cent during the 2008-09 fiscal year.

Meanwhile, private pension plans lost 21 per cent of their value, says the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development.

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CONTROVERSY Boats began leaving yesterday for waters off Labrador and the start of a seal hunt that could bring in a record low number of animals. The industry is grappling with the imposition of a ban on seal products in the European Union.

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Judge fired after issuing arrest warrant for overdue library DVD

A Colorado judge has been fired after issuing an arrest warrant for a teenager over an overdue library DVD. James Kimmel issued the warrant after Aaron Henson, 19, failed to show up in court for the overdue DVD, House of Flying Daggers. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World

Putin visits Polish massacre site

Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin attended a memorial ceremony yesterday for 22,000 Polish officers, prisoners and intellectuals who were killed by Josef Stalin's secret police in 1940, in an unprecedented gesture of reconciliation to Poland. Putin became the first Russian leader to ever commemorate the Katyn massacres with a Polish leader, however, his speech stopped short of offering any apology to Poland or calling the massacres a war crime. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Hope down to a 'sliver'

Anxious family members clung to what the West Virginia governor called a "sliver of hope" yesterday as rescuers drilled into the coal mine where 25 people died in an explosion, hoping to vent enough poisonous gas to safely get inside and look for possible survivors.

Crews had drilled one hole and were working on two more to release enough methane gas so searchers could enter the Upper Big Branch mine to look for four people still missing in the worst U.S. mining accident in more than two decades.

Federal officials started testing the air yesterday afternoon to see if it was safe. Rescuers hoped the four miners might somehow have reached a chamber where they could survive for four days, though they acknowledged the odds were against them.

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Kyrgyzstan opposition seizes power

CENTRAL ASIA Opposition leaders declared they had seized power in Kyrgyzstan, taking control of security headquarters, a state TV channel and other government buildings after clashes between police and protesters killed dozens in this Central Asian nation that houses a key U.S. air base.

President Kurmanbek Bakiyev, who came to power in a similar popular uprising five years ago, was said to have fled to the southern city of Osh, and it was difficult to gauge how much of the impoverished, mountainous country the opposition controlled yesterday.

"The security service and the Interior Ministry ... all of them are already under the management of new people," Rosa Otunbayeva, a former foreign minister who the opposition leaders said would head the interim government, told the Russian-language Mir TV channel. The opposition has called for the closure of the U.S. air base in Manas outside the capital of Bishkek that is a key transit point for supplies essential to the war in nearby Afghanistan.

During the day, protesters who were called into the streets by opposition parties stormed government buildings in Bishkek and battled with police amid volleys of tear gas. Groups of elite officers then fired with live ammunition.

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A protester attacks a police officer during clashes in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, yesterday.

News in brief

BRAZIL Flooding and mudslides from the heaviest deluge ever recorded in Rio killed at least 100 people and left many more homeless, officials said yesterday as the rains finally began to ease. A minimum 2,000 people were forced from their homes by punishing rain that filled streets with raging torrents and ground Brazil's second-biggest city to a halt the previous day. All told, about 28 centimetres fell in the space of 36 hours.

DENVER A Qatari diplomat trying to sneak a smoke in an airplane bathroom sparked a bomb scare last night on a flight from Washington to Denver, with fighter jets scrambled and law enforcement put on high alert, law enforcement officials said. No explosives were found on the man, and officials do not believe he was trying to to harm anyone, according to a senior law enforcement official.

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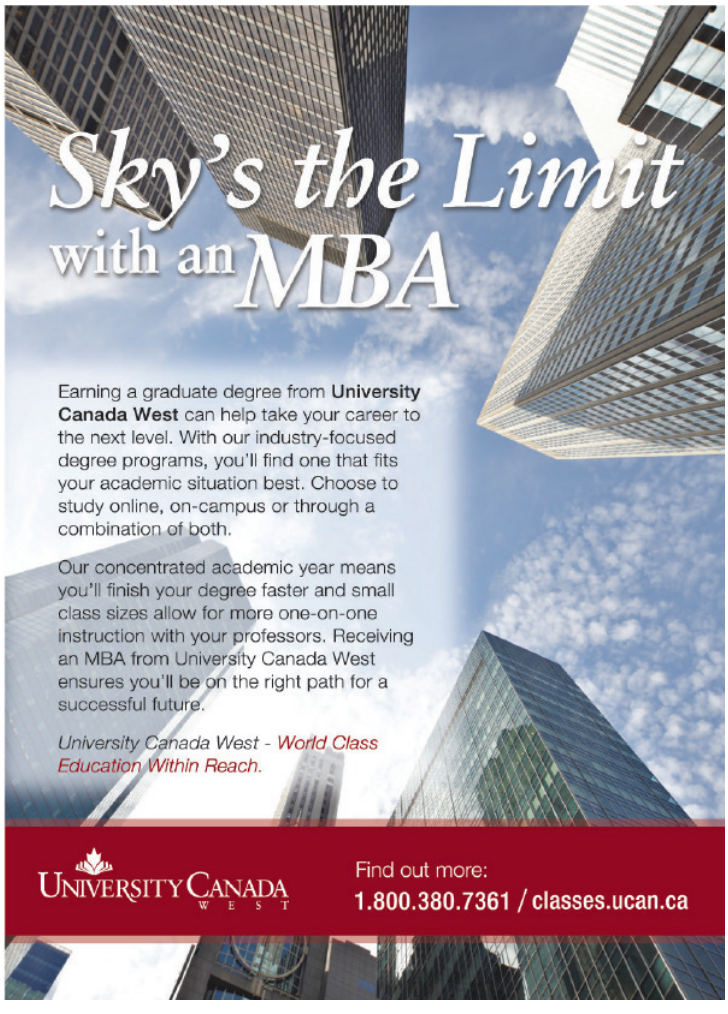

Florida inmate gets 20 years for cigarette run
Authorities say an inmate who broke out of jail, then returned after stealing 14 packs of cigarettes, has been sentenced to 20 years. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Britain **Election on tap**

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Beer pumps in a London pub are decorated with the three British main political party politicians, from left: Gordon Brown, Nick Clegg and David Cameron yesterday. Nicholson's pubs around Britain will be asking drinkers to vote with their pint, the results will be collated to predict who will be victorious on May 6.

'Hero' Spanish judge indicted

The Spanish judge who became an international hero by going after Osama bin Laden and Chilean dictator Augusto Pinochet was indicted yesterday for having dared to investigate what is arguably Spain's own biggest unresolved case: atrocities committed during and after its ruinous Civil War.

Baltasar Garzon was charged with knowingly acting without jurisdiction by launching a probe in 2008 of tens of thousands of wartime executions and disappearances of civilians by forces loyal to Gen. Francisco Franco, even though the crimes were covered by a 1977 amnesty.

The indictment by an investigating magistrate at the Supreme Court, marks a devastating fall from grace for one of Spain's most prominent and divisive public figures and a man well-known overseas for his cross-border justice cases. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Report: Gay Zimbabweans mistreated

HUMAN RIGHTS Gay Zimbabweans face widespread harassment and some have even been raped by those intending to convert their sexuality, the U.S. State Department said in a discussion of its annual human rights report in Zimbabwe.

Gay men were forced into heterosexual acts and lesbian women were raped, sometimes by male relatives, to teach them to change their ways, said Amanda Porter, political officer at the U.S. Embassy in Harare. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Thinking outside the jewelry box

Relating

Ah, springtime! When a young man's fancy turns to thoughts of love. And, in extreme cases, to thoughts of c-c-c-commitment.

The glut of engagement ring and wedding band options can be overwhelming. Princess or pear cut? Solitaire or sidestone? White gold or platinum? And do you really need to spend two months' salary on a sparkly?

Many couples are opting for more affordable, ethical, ecological and original options. Here are a few alternatives to going the traditional ring route:

1 Re-purpose old jewelry. "Instead of a wedding band, I wear a ring that my parents gave me for my 13th birthday," says Allison Outhit. "It's five small braided gold bands held together with a little clip. For me, it symbolizes the five members of my immediate family." Rings with stories attached can be far more meaningful than new jewelry. If you've inherited an heirloom necklace or earrings, have a jeweller reset the gemstones into a band.

2 Buy ethically. "There's nothing I can't tell you about my jewelry," says Ryan Taylor, proprietor of the Fair Trade Jewelry Co. (ftjco.com) in Toronto. He encourages customers to do their research and ask questions. Taylor also suggests dealing with makers as opposed to salespeople. "They're passionate and they understand everything about their material ... You should walk out of a place knowing everything about (the ring) you just bought."

3 Do whatever makes you happy. "Jay and I were THIS close to getting Batman wedding rings," says writer Karla Pacheco. "Out of the SkyMall catalog, no less — those fine purveyors of Lord Of The Rings-inspired jewelry, executive phone chargers, and enormous stone Buddhas for the captive airline audience." Pacheco and her fiancé eventually decided the Batman rings were a touch tacky. They scoured small jewelry shops in their neighbourhood and opted for simple $75 bands. Says Pacheco, "At the end of the day ... what they symbolize is more important than what they look like or what they cost."

Sofi Papamarko is a 20-something writer based in Toronto. Her heroes include Desmond Morris and Nancy Sinatra.

Views

Keeping pace with growing diversity

SpeakingOut

Forward-thinking organizations have shown that effectively managing diversity offers a competitive advantage — by improving access to skilled workers, growing increasingly global markets, and fuelling innovation.

A recent Statistics Canada study adds further fuel to the diversity imperative. By 2031, more than one-quarter of our population could be foreign-born. Almost one-third could be visible minorities, nearly double the current rate.

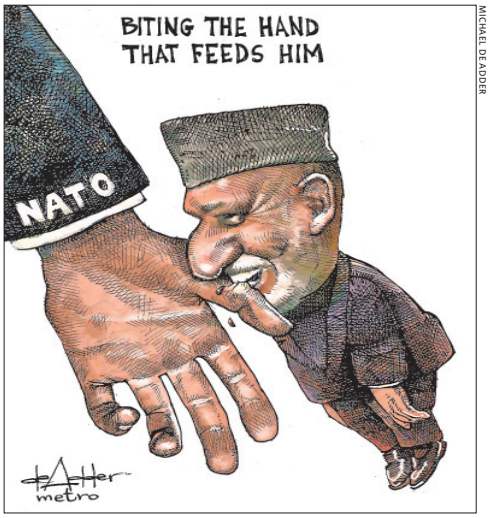
Will we be ready? While progress has undeniably been made, research shows overt and systemic discrimination persists across sectors. The barriers are complex. There is the Catch 22 of no Canadian work experience, no job — no job, no Canadian work experience. The underfunding and fragmentation of services for immigrants remains a problem and impedes the matching of skilled workers to employers.

And racism remains the problem that dares not speak its name. A particularly damning study by Oreopoulous showed that resumés from English-named applicants with Canadian credentials were three times more likely to receive interviews than applicants with Chinese, Indian or Pakistani names and foreign credentials.

What to do? There are no easy solutions to complex problems. An integrated approach is needed to address barriers at all levels. Better pre-immigration counselling, one-stop shopping for support, and specialized services and training are all important.

Most of all, more work needs to be done within organizations across all sectors to create more welcoming, fair and inclusive environments.

Wendy Cukier is the associate dean of the Ted Rogers School of Management at Ryerson University, and the founder of Ryerson's Diversity Institute.



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Japan Zooming back to profits?

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Japan Airlines Corp. is speeding up planned job cuts in an effort to return to profitability and intends to lay off one-third of its workforce this fiscal year. It's unknown if this affects the maintenance personnel seen in this January photo.

More 'tire' in Canadian Tire

Renewed focus meant to broaden appeal

Canadian Tire Corp. is retooling to concentrate on its core automotive and hardware businesses, but its chief executive says he doesn't want shopping there to feel like a "male experience."

The iconic retailer says it plans to focus on the auto parts business that made Canadian Tire a household brand after a recent expansion into home decor to attract more female shoppers. It plans to grow the automotive division by four to six per cent a year over the next five years.

But chief executive Stephen Wetmore said yesterday that the company's renewed focus on automotive supplies and repair is meant to broaden its customer base, not limit it.

"We do not want to ... just make it a male experience; it has to be consumer friendly."

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In brief

AUTOS Daimler AG, Renault and Nissan have announced plans to share parts and platforms and make more cost-efficient and competitive small cars. The carmakers hope the alliance will help them ride out a sales slump.

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GM could turn profit in 2010

REBOUND General Motors Co., steadily returning to health after its near-collapse in 2009, said Tuesday it plans to pay off its government loans by June — five years ahead of schedule — and could report a profit as early as this year.

GM said it lost $3.4 billion US in the fourth quarter of 2009 on revenues of $32.3 billion. But things are on the upswing. Sales and production have increased and GM has gained U.S. market share since the start of the year. The automaker will try to maintain that momentum while facing a stiff challenge from a revitalized Ford. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Could Chinese bid be a sign of things to come in Canada?

RESOURCES A $150-million bid by China's largest nickel producer for Toronto-based Crowflight Minerals Inc. could open the door to even more Chinese investment in Canadian resources, according to Crowflight's CEO.

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Tennis great Navratilova diagnosed with breast cancer

Tennis great Martina Navratilova has been diagnosed with a non-invasive form of breast cancer and her prognosis is considered excellent. The nine-time Wimbledon women's singles champion had a lumpectomy in March and will start six weeks of radiation therapy next month. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sports

Rooney hurt, Man U out

Manchester United striker Wayne Rooney, left, re-injured his right ankle against Bayern Munich yesterday, a week after being hurt in the first leg. The final four of the Champions League won't feature an English team for the first time since 2003 after Munich ousted Manchester on aggregate, while Lyon reached its first semi-final by eliminating Bordeaux. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Questions swirling around fallen Flames

The Calgary Flames are trying to finish their NHL season respectably, while everybody else is already thinking about what's going to happen to the team in the off-season.

That's the price the Flames pay for their elimination from the NHL playoff race Tuesday with two games remaining in the regular season.

They've left no other options for their unhappy fans other than second-guessing this season or moving onto next-year territory.

They've watched their team steadily increase its payroll, get eliminated in the first round of playoffs the last four seasons and then finish out of the post-season entirely this year. They demanded on radio call-in shows and on websites yesterday for change from the fourth-line forwards to just below the ownership level.

"There's going to be a lot said from the outside that we have a bad locker-room. That's not true." Captain Jarome Iginla

General manager Darryl Sutter and team president and CEO Ken King are expected to address the season publicly early next week.

Head coach Brent Sutter, hired by brother Darryl last summer to push the Flames further in the playoffs, was in no mood yesterday to parse the season with games remaining today at home against Minnesota and Saturday in Vancouver.

A weary-looking captain Jarome Iginla, the subject of trade speculation, was more reflective. For those who felt problems in the dressing room or a lack of team chemistry were factors in Calgary's inability to score goals, he said more than once yesterday that wasn't an issue.

"There's going to be a lot said from the outside that we have a bad locker-room," Iginla said. "That's not true. The guys who have come had great attitudes, they wanted to win, they worked hard, they blocked shots, fought. We were one of the top teams in fights, which is commitment and courage.

"The guys who came in here were 100 per cent committed. They weren't pouting. They weren't complaining about the coach. Guys got along. Guys like each other, they like working for each other."

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Calgary's Rene Bourque, right, skates off the ice as San Jose's Devin Setoguchi looks on following Tuesday's game. The Sharks beat the Flames 2-1. Calgary was eliminated from playoff contention later in the evening, when Colorado beat Vancouver in a shootout.

Three different coaches in the last four years and multiple player trades and signings during that span were all moves that were supposed to push Calgary higher in the standings. Some fans were wondering if the team should just shed expensive, veteran talent and build anew.

That's the well from which the Iginla speculation sprung.

Iginla would fetch young talent on the market, but he has to agree to be traded first. The 32-year-old isn't an advocate of a scorched-earth policy and says he doesn't want out.

"I want to be part of the solution here and I don't think we're that far," Iginla said. "From my point of view, I want to be here, not just because it's comfortable or it's a nice city or the fans are into it, but also that I think we can win."

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Yankees pegged at $1.6 billion US

The New York Yankees are worth nearly twice as much as any other team in baseball, according to the annual estimates by Forbes magazine. The Yankees were valued at $1.6 billion US, Forbes said yesterday, up seven per cent from a $1.5 billion value last year. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Bosh likely done for rest of season

NBA The Toronto Raptors will likely have to do without all-star forward Chris Bosh for at least the remainder of the regular season.

Bosh remained in a Cleveland hospital after undergoing surgery yesterday afternoon for a displaced nasal fracture suffered in a loss to the Cavaliers a night earlier. He was expected to return to Toronto yesterday.

Raptors medical director and orthopedic surgeon Paul Marks said Bosh would be re-evaluated in 7-to-10 days, all but eliminating any chance of him returning for the team's final five regular-season games.

"No one has a crystal ball," said Marks. "But if you look at the time frames, as the calendar barrels down on us, we're looking at (7-to-10 days), so each of us can surmise from there."

The Raptors play their final five games over the next eight days, wrapping up their season next Wednesday against the New York Knicks.

Bosh also suffered a non-displaced maxilla fracture in his right cheekbone, which did not require surgery.

That injury wasn't as big a concern as the nasal fracture, which required surgeons to reset the broken bone and protect the area so it could heal properly.

Marks said it could have been worse. "It's not a fracture that required screws or plates or anything like that," said Marks. "It's just a small flap of bone that has been put back in position so that it maintains that structural integrity."

Bosh was left bloodied after an inadvertent elbow from Antawn Jamison early in the 113-101 loss. Bosh had a CT scan after the incident but returned to the arena in the fourth quarter.

"He's in good spirits," said Marks. "We've spoken with him. He's comfortable now."

Marks said Bosh may be able to play with a fitted orthopedic mask after doctors have established that the injury is healing well.

"At the appropriate juncture, a decision will be made for that to be done, potentially," said Marks. "It's something where you have to wait for some of the swelling to come down and make sure that someone's comfortable, and that the bone has had a chance to set. And that takes a certain amount of time." THE CANADIAN PRESS

More bad news

- Rajon Rondo had 11 of his 21 points in the third quarter as the Boston Celtics beat undermanned Toronto 115-104 yesterday, dealing a major blow to the Raptors' post-season chances.
- Hedo Turkoglu was taken to a nearby hospital for a CT scan after he was headbutted by Celtics guard Tony Allen late in the first quarter.

Harsh words for Tiger

On the day Tiger Woods arrived at the Masters, he changed out of his spikes after playing nine holes, walked across the parking lot and went upstairs to the office of Augusta National chairman Billy Payne.

Payne would not discuss details of their Sunday afternoon meeting.

Based on his blunt criticism of Woods during his annual press conference yesterday, they probably weren't talking about how Woods was hitting the ball or his chances of winning a fifth green jacket.

"It is simply not the degree of his conduct that is so egregious here," Payne said. "It is the fact that he disappointed all of us, and more importantly, our kids and our grandkids.

"Our hero did not live up to the expectations of the role model we saw for our children."

They were the strongest words from a Masters chairman since Hootie Johnson's famous "point of a bayonet" reply to Martha Burk in the summer of 2002 when he defended the club's right to an all-male membership.

Payne was one of the Augusta National members who stood among the Georgia pines to the right of the first fairway Monday, the first time Woods played before a gallery since being caught cheating on his wife five months ago.

No other golf official has been so outspoken about Woods' behaviour.

No other major is like the Masters.

Even though Woods is a four-time champion and the No. 1 player in the world, he is at Augusta National by invitation, just like the other 95 players who will tee it up today.

Woods had already played his final practice round — nine holes with Mark O'Meara — and left the course when Payne held his news conference. The chairman saved his thoughts on Woods for the end of his opening statement.

"Is there a way forward? I hope yes. I think yes," Payne said. "But certainly, his future will never again be measured only by his performance against par; but measured by the sincerity of his efforts to change.

"I hope he now realizes that every kid he passes on the course wants his swing, but would settle for his smile." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Tiger Woods watches a shot during a practice round prior to the 2010 Masters Tournament at Augusta National Golf Club yesterday in Augusta, Ga. Woods will tee off in the second-last group this afternoon with K.J. Choi and Matt Kuchar.

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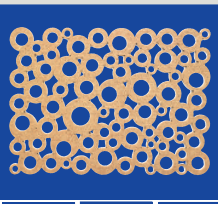

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When it comes to skirts, shorts and dresses, fashion experts say that as with the looks seen on the runway, consumers can expect to see hemlines on the rise this season. However, you should only embrace those looks you feel at ease wearing. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Style

Toledo designs for less

Fashion designer Isabel Toledo — who designed Michelle Obama's lemongrass-hued Inauguration day ensemble — is the latest designer to bring high-fashion to masses with a recent Payless ShoeSource partnership. The collection, set to debut this September, will feature shoes and handbags at an average about $40 an item. The high fashion shoe styles will come in a variety of materials, including patent, nylon, rubber and mesh.

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Teenage wunderkinds

Young style bloggers become influential in the fashion world

Jane Aldridge hoped to get a few readers when she started a style blog at 15. Today that sounds impossibly modest.

Aldridge, now 18, gets about 70,000 hits a day at her blog Sea of Shoes. She's been featured in magazines like Vanity Fair and Teen Vogue and has designed shoes for Urban Outfitters.

"I didn't realize at the time that I started my blog that blogs would ever become what they are now," she said.

Young bloggers like Aldridge have become an unexpected powerhouse in the fashion industry, gracing front rows at Fashion Week, teaming with top magazines and working with mainstream clothing brands. Aldridge is among those who have been read by editors and designers for the last couple of years, said Jane Keltner, fashion news director for Teen Vogue.

"In the last year it's just exploded," Keltner said.

Thirteen-year-old Tavi Gevinson, who writes the blog Style Rookie, has helped Rodarte introduce its line for Target, appeared on the cover of Pop magazine and been spotted at various fashion shows around the world. Her fashion commentary has even appeared in Harper's Bazaar.

American Apparel has featured several young bloggers in ads, including Karla Deras of Karla's Closet. Marc Jacobs named a bag after blogger Bryanboy.

Keltner said that brands are smart to get on board with bloggers who already have a following and are influential in the fashion world. It was a good way for Target to connect with customers, said spokesman Joshua Thomas.

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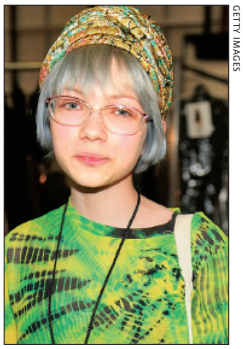
Jane Aldridge, 18, is a fashion blogger who runs a site called Sea of Shoes. Here she poses at her home in Trophy Club, Texas.

"Obviously Tavi's blog is extremely popular and she's really developed a loyal following," Thomas said.

Aldridge's retail ventures have included designing a trench coat for Gryphon with her mother Judy, who has her own blog called Atlantis Home. Gryphon designer Aimee Cho said she liked how the mother and daughter were able to wear a lot of the same clothes, but in different ways and have fun with fashion.

"I do think clothes should be fun and that's what I like about Jane and Judy," she said. Cho said bloggers, especially teens, offer an unfiltered perspective.

Still, there have been some rumblings against the wunderkinds, especially Tavi. In December, Elle magazine's Anne Slowey told New York magazine's the Cut blog that she thought Harper's Bazaar hiring Gevinson "feels a big gimmicky."



GETTY IMAGES

Tavi Gevinson, 13, writes the popular fashion blog Style Rookie.

"What am I getting out of a 13-year-old's opinion about fashion?" she asked.

Simon Doonan, creative director of Barneys New York, said that while he respects their work and enthusiasm for fashion, he feels a bit protective of the young style bloggers who are getting so much attention at such a young age.

"I didn't realize at the time that I started my blog that blogs would ever become what they are now."
Blogger Jane Aldridge

"In your 20s, it's great to be a nobody so that you can figure out who you are and not place any expectations on yourself," he said.

Success in the fashion world, he said, calls for talent plus maturity.

"You need some maturity to handle that kind of 'I love you, I hate you' that life can deliver," he said.

Tavi also got quite a bit of Internet buzz when she appeared at a fashion show with a large bow-shaped hat. She said in a February blog entry, "It seems that with all this 'Backlash!' many people have lost sight of what MY blog is actually about: fun, dammit!"

It's that personal take that makes consumers feel they can develop their own thoughts on fashion, said John Gerhardt, creative director of Canadian high-end retailer Holt Renfrew. Over the summer, Holt Renfrew designed store windows inspired by the work of six fashion bloggers, including Aldridge.

"We saw it as a real trend in terms of fashion communication," he said.

He said that we're being oversaturated right now with fashion bloggers, but those who stand out have an ability to reference trends from the past and look into the future.

"The ones that actually gain popularity and a following, I think they do have an eye. You see it with the ones that rise to the top," he said.

With a love of designer vintage, Aldridge said she started her blog as an outlet for a fixation on fashion that wasn't shared by her peers in Trophy Club, a small town about 50 kilometres northwest of Dallas nestled among the city's sprawling suburbs. "Living out here I was kind of isolated in my love of fashion," she said.

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Curvy models making inroads

BODY IMAGE Slender models still dominate the fashion world, but a growing movement within the industry appears to be embracing women with curvier figures.

Vogue Italia launched Vogue Curvy, a special section on its website devoted to celebrating fuller-figured beauty. V Magazine's Size Issue had a "Curves Ahead" photo shoot showcasing plus-sized models. The April edition of French Elle has full-figured model Tara Lynn on the cover and a multi-page editorial spread on plus-sized models.

Curvier women are also making waves on the catwalk. For a second straight season, Canadian designer Mark Fast presented several plus-sized models on the runway at London Fashion Week in February. And at the recent LG Fashion Week in Toronto, renowned American model Crystal Renn came north of the border to don looks from the affordable Canadian apparel line Joe Fresh Style.

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Left: Model Crystal Renn.

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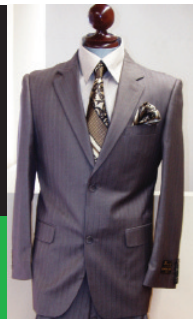

Style in brief

WEBSITE EBay Inc. may be the biggest online clothing seller, but it's still known for selling other people's castoffs. Now it wants shoppers to think of it when looking for trendy duds like hipster jeans and red ballerina flats. EBay launched a new fashion microsite this week. It's the latest in a series of changes that will sometimes have it acting more like an outlet mall or "private sale" website. EBay is working with major fashion brands and retailers such as Hugo Boss and Lord & Taylor to act as sellers. The new microsite, fashion.ebay.com, will bring together several new ways of selling. The company began testing "flash" sales — short-term sales of a small selection of merchandise — late last year. EBay also is creating an online outlet mall.

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JEAN SPIRIT

Workwear threads get a total makeover

ADVICE Denim is the season's go-to piece, whether it's faded, tiedyed, ripped, shredded or bleached. With its relaxed, '70s vibe, this chic and sturdy fabric is supercool. For an updated version, pair a well-worn piece with something tailored — like tattered jeans and a crisp white shirt.

Cotton and synthetic-leather tote, Esprit ($80, 1-866-4-ESPRIT)

Cotton shorts, Levi's ($58, levi.ca)

Studded cotton pumps ($130, at Steve Madden)

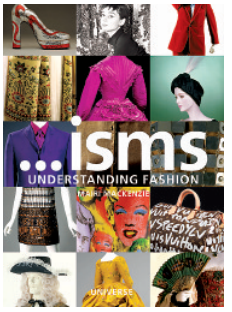
Cotton dress, Only ($89, 1-866-388-4392)

Cotton jacket and T-shirt, Reitmans ($40 and $22, reitmans.ca

Snap-front cotton shirt, Gap 1969 ($55 at Gap)

FASHION ...ISMS 101

Unlike many books that trace the history of costume and design, ...Isms: Understanding Fashion, by Mairi MacKenzie, shows how patrons such as Marie-Antoinette, Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis and Sarah Jessica Parker have influenced designers. The author also explores the historical evolution of costume, haute couture and streetwear, from a neoclassical fixation with Greco-Roman togas in the 18th century to Prada platforms.



Editors' Pick

TOXIC AVENGERS

A healthy lymphatic system is the key to strong immunity and glowing skin, so don't neglect your nodes! The Lymphomaniac Facial at Pure + simple spa in Toronto includes an upper-body massage designed to flush out toxins. And, in addition to the Power Plate's celeb cred for building buff bodies, its vibration-induced muscle contractions stimulate the lymphatic system, says Sarah Paul of Flex Rx Studio in Toronto.

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Cody confirms pregnancy via Twitter

Juno screenwriter Diablo Cody is expecting her first child. The Oscar winner, 31, announced the happy news via Twitter. "Thanks for the congrats on my fetus! No secrets here; just thought it would be fun to see how big I could get before someone noticed." TVGUIDE.COM

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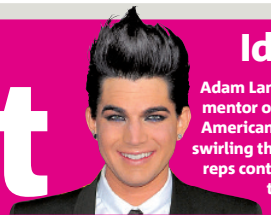

Idol guests

Adam Lambert will serve as guest mentor on the April 13 episode of American Idol. Internet buzz began swirling this week after Sony Music reps contacted radio stations with the announcement. EW.COM

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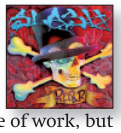
●●●●● A CLASSIC; ●●●● EXCELLENT; ●●● GOOD; ●● FAIR; ● POOR

Slash reloads with riffs

Slash

Album: Slash
Label: Universal
Rating: ●●●½



I'LL JUST COME right out and say it: This is the best album Slash has been involved with since leaving Guns N' Roses. It's not a brilliant piece of work, but it's a good reminder of why Slash is one of the best guitarists on the planet. He whips off solos left and right — all of which are air guitar worthy — while the songs themselves are, for the most part, gritty, riff-heavy '90s rockers. He was wise to employ friends like Ozzy, Ian Astbury and Lemmy to sing on these tracks, though he should have held back his invite to Maroon 5's Adam Levine.

Bryan Borzykowki/for Metro Canada

Jakob Dylan

Album: Women and Country
Label: Columbia/Sony
Rating: ●●½

THE SON OF Bob teams up with T Bone Burnett — America's top roots producer — for his second solo album since leaving the Wallflowers five years ago. On paper it's a perfect match. Certainly the album starts out that way with opening track Nothing But the Whole Wide World. It's upbeat melody disguises a working man's lament of shattered dreams and abandoned hope. That song, however, sounds absolutely joyous compared to what follows as Burnett's ponderous drone takes over the record like a funeral march. These Americana themes are all too familiar and Burnett's signature recording style makes them even more so. The album features the talented alt-country voices of Neko Case and Kelly Hogan, but even they are relegated to the back of the mix. By the end of the album, there's a good chance the listener will be either asleep or suicidal.

Graham Rockingham/for Metro Canada

David Byrne with Fatboy Slim

Album: Here Lies Love
Label: Nonsuch/Warner
Rating: ●●●

TALKING HEADS FOUNDER David Byrne has never been a conventional artist, so when he decided to team up with Fatboy Slim on an album about Imelda Marcos, the former first lady of the Philippines, you knew this would be good. And, for the most part, it is. The record, which is mainly about Marcos' complex life, is an infectious disc of subtle disco tunes and musical-ish numbers. Byrne hires a bevy of excellent female artists to sing (as well as Steve Earle), but standouts include Santigold on the electro track Please Don't and Sharon Jones on the upbeat R&B tune Dancing Together.

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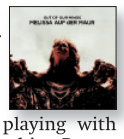
Slash's new solo album reminds us why he is considered one of the best guitarists on the planet.

Melissa Auf der Maur

Album: Out of Our Minds
Label: MAdM Music
Rating: ●●●



IT'S BEEN SIX YEARS since Melissa Auf der Maur released a solo disc (and more since playing with Hole and Smashing Pumpkins) so the wait had better be worth it. Well, Out of Our Minds isn't bad, but it's not a masterpiece. It's simple, fun straightforward rock. Follow the Map is an infectious rocker that would have done well in the '90s, in fact, many of these tunes would work on a mix CD with her old bands' songs. The most interesting part about Out of Our Minds is that it's actually a three-part project, with a film and comic too.

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Dillinger Escape Plan

Album: Option Paralysis
Label: Party Smasher Inc./Season Of Mist
Rating: ●●●●●

FROM THEIR EXPLOSIVE live performances that excite with a sense of imposing danger to chaotic albums blending overt, obtuse technicality with rabid musical exorcism, mathematical metal brigade Dillinger Escape Plan (DEP) has never been a band to rest on laurels. Or giving what is expected, a mentality that is the foundation of fourth full-length Option Paralysis. An effort that finds melodious piano consorting with the band's inherently volatile blast beats and incensed bellowing to create the epitome of dynamics and dichotomy, while it may initially unnerve, as proponents become familiar with it, Option Paralysis proves to be one of DEP's most grandiose and rewarding conceptual efforts to date.

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Album Reviews

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Sharon Jones & the Dap-Kings

Album: I Learned the Hard Way
Label: Daptone Records
Rating: ●●●●

IT WOULD BE real easy to write the Dap-Kings off as retro-revivalists. They are, after all, just a bunch of white guys playing funky mid-'60s soul on analog equipment just the way they did in Memphis ... way back before most of the Dap-Kings were even born. Most of the songs are written by a 30-something bass player by the name of Gabriel Roth (a.k.a. Bosco Mann). It would be easy to dismiss the Dap-Kings with a quip like "why don't you go listen to the real thing, put on an old Otis record or something?" Yeah, easy. Except Sharon Jones, the 54-year-old voice at the front of this band, is the real thing. She was born in James Brown's hometown of Augusta, Ga., too late to get in on the bottom floor. But she's making up for lost time. And we've got Bosco and the boys to thank for that.

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Buffy star charged with resisting arrest

Buffy the Vampire Slayer star Nicholas Brendon has been charged with four misdemeanors, after officials say he tried to fight a bunch of cops last month. Brendon was charged with one count resisting arrest, two counts of battery against a police officer and one count of vandalism. TMZ.COM

Douglas family pleads with judge

Son of Academy Award winner, Cameron, facing 10 years in jail for drug deal

Kirk Douglas has asked a judge to spare his drug-dealer grandson a harsh prison sentence, saying he hopes to see him turn around his life "before I die."

The film legend made the appeal in one of several letters of support filed Friday in federal court in Manhattan on behalf of Cameron Douglas.

Other letters were penned by his celebrity stepmother, Catherine Zeta-Jones, NBA executive Pat Riley and longtime friends who described their despair over watching him waste his talent as a budding actor. He had roles in movies including 2003's It Runs in the Family, starring his father and grandfather.

Cameron Douglas, 31, is "a considerate, worthy human being," Zeta-Jones wrote.

The son of Academy Award winner Michael Douglas pleaded guilty earlier this year to charges he dealt methamphetamine out of a trendy Manhattan hotel.

The charges carry a minimum term of 10 years behind bars. But lawyers for the admitted heroin addict claimed in court papers their remorseful client was committed to sobriety, and argued he only deserves a maximum 3½ years at sentencing next week.

In his letter, Kirk Douglas recalled how he recently travelled from Los Angeles to New York — "At 93, that's a long trip" — to visit his jailed grandson.

"He didn't express any self-pity, nor did he ask for any," he wrote. "The only sorrow he expressed was for the trouble he had caused others ... I was shocked when he got in such a mess."

The famous grandfather concluded: "I'm convinced Cameron could be a fine actor. ... I hope I can see that happen before I die. I love Cameron."

Riley, president of the Miami Heat, said he got to know Douglas while coaching the Los Angeles Lakers.

"Cameron is not a criminal," Riley wrote. "I ask for mercy, judge."

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In this file photo from Feb. 25, actor Cameron Douglas' mother, Diandra, exits federal court in New York. The judge denied bail to Douglas, saying he could not be trusted to stay off drugs if granted house arrest.

Douglas was arrested July 28, 2009, at the Hotel Gansevoort as part of a Drug Enforcement Administration probe.

Investigators say Douglas was paid tens of thousands of dollars for smuggling meth — what he referred to in intercepted phone calls as "pastry" or "bath salts."

Cash and drugs were routinely exchanged from coast to coast through shippers like FedEx, a criminal complaint said.

In the papers filed Tuesday, defence lawyers said Douglas had come to New York to look for an apartment when he had a chance encounter outside the hotel with a fellow guest and drug dealer who invited him to dinner.

"He didn't express any self-pity, nor did he ask for any ... The only sorrow he expressed was for the trouble he had caused others. ... I was shocked when he got in such a mess." Kirk Douglas

Afterward, "the New York dealer asked Cameron to discuss a business proposition and invited him to his hotel room, where the New York dealer asked him if he could send him a pound of meth," the papers said. "Still impaired by his addiction, Cameron agreed and later flew to California to arrange the requested transaction."

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Disco star pleads not guilty to teen sex charges

COURT A music producer and member of KC and the Sunshine Band has pleaded not guilty in Ohio to charges he had sexual contact with teenage boys.

Richard R. Finch appeared in Licking County Common Pleas Court on Tuesday. He was arrested last month and faced 16 charges relating to sexual conduct with teen boys.

Magistrate Mattie Klein doubled Finch's bond to $500,000, and ordered him not to have contact with the alleged victims or anyone under 18 years old.

Charges

- He was charged with one count of gross sexual imposition.
- A statement posted to Finch's website called the reports "unfounded."

Michael Connick, Finch's lawyer, had asked that bond be reduced.

Finch is a former bass player for the band and a seven-time Grammy Award winner.

KC and the Sunshine Band was founded in 1973 in Miami, Fla., their style has included funk, R&B, and disco. Their most well known songs include the disco hits That's the Way (I Like It), Shake Your Booty, I'm Your Boogie Man, Keep It Comin' Love, Give It Up, and Please Don't Go.

He is being held in the Licking County Jail.

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Bristol Palin appears in public service announcement

In a new 30-second public service announcement, Sarah Palin's 19-year-old daughter, Bristol, appears with son Tripp and speculates about the hardships she'd face as a teenage single mom if she weren't from a famous, supportive family. **PEOPLE.COM**

Wire creator heads to New Orleans

The name David Mills kept coming up in a conversation last week about Treme, HBO's zesty new drama set in post-Katrina New Orleans.

It's no wonder he was on the minds of Treme co-creators David Simon and Eric Overmyer as they talked about the new show.

Only two days earlier, Mills — their longtime comrade, an acclaimed writer and the show's co-executive producer — died unexpectedly, while filming in New Orleans.

The 10-episode first season has almost wrapped, said Simon, but already he was thinking of seasons that might lie ahead, and already missing Mills.

"There will be things that we do not think of, things that we do not achieve, because he's not there," Simon said. "We're not going to find a David Mills again."

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David Simon, creator of the critically acclaimed show The Wire works on the New Orleans set of his latest project, Treme, a TV show set in the city post-Hurricane Katrina.

The mood wasn't maudlin or bitter. In some ways, it reflected the hearty defiance of Treme (a city neighbourhood pronounced 'truh-May'), whose wide range of everyday folk are dealing with incalculable losses, and won't submit.

It's the latest project from Simon, hailed for HBO's Generation Kill, The Corner and, perhaps most notably, The Wire. But even sharing their novelistic density and ensemble makeup, Treme varies from those other splendid series with its sense of hope and its rich accessibility.

"New Orleans culture is participatory," Overmyer said. "You jump into the parade when it comes by. We're hoping the show is the same way — that you'll just jump in and go for the ride now, sort it out later." Adds Simon: "And wake up 40 blocks from where you thought you were going."

The show begins in fall 2005, three months after Hurricane Katrina and the preventable engineering failure that caused flooding in some 80 per cent of the city, leaving destruction, death and thousands displaced people.

And yet, from the first moments of Treme, the music is playing, good food is on the table, a neighbourhood restaurant has reopened and displaced residents are trying to come home and rebuild, despite the institutions that continue to betray them.

Among the panoply of characters are trombonist Antoine Batiste (Wendell Pierce, The Wire), restaurant owner-chef Janette Desautel (Kim Dickens, Deadwood), and Tulane professor Creighton Burnette (John Goodman), a high-decibel critic of the response to the disaster.

"In some ways, the show begins warmly," Simon said. "But there are moments where these people have to address the reality of living in New Orleans. There's a lot of glorious magic, but there's a lot that's (screwed) up."

Long before Katrina, the magic had bewitched frequent visitor Simon as well as part-time resident Overmyer. Katrina and its aftermath offered a cruelly convenient hook for drama. But there was more for them to hash out.

"While we can say an awful lot about New Orleans, we must first have a story about people in a situation that is both interesting and says something about the human condition," said Overmyer.

Maybe that sums up Treme: the power of a group of individuals unbowed by either nature or bureaucracies. "If this gets to season five, the Saints are winning the Super Bowl," predicted Simon. Treme premiers Sunday at 10 p.m. on HBO Canada.

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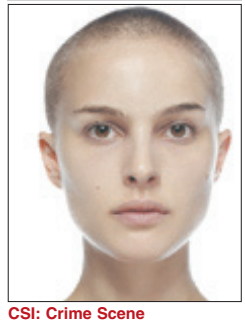
V for Vendetta

The Wachowski brothers of "The Matrix" fame bring a graphic novel to life with the same dazzling technique in this genuinely smart 2006 thriller. Shorn of her hair as the futuristic story unfolds, Natalie Portman acquits herself well in the demanding role of a young innocent drawn into the mindset of a vigilante (Hugo Weaving) who disguises himself as revolutionary Guy Fawkes and targets the British government. 11 PM on TOON



CSI: Crime Scene Investigation

Langston's (Laurence Fishburne) investigation into the murder of a family brings him one step closer to catching the Dr. Jekyll serial killer as the CSI team traces the perp to the house next door to the murder site in the new episode "Irradiator." Marg Helgenberger, George Eads, Paul Guilfoyle, Jorja Fox and Eric Szmanda also star. 9 PM on CFCN

Celebrities to curb their enthusiasm

TELEVISION Jerry Seinfeld, Jon Hamm and Seth Green are helping to deconstruct Curb Your Enthusiasm.

The stars are part of Curb: The Discussion, a TV Guide Network companion series to Curb Your Enthusiasm. The Larry David comedy is coming to the network in June.

A celebrity panel will watch each episode of the comedy and discuss ethical issues raised by the unorthodox behaviour of David's character.

Curb Your Enthusiasm cast member Susie Essman moderates the panels, with Hill Harper, Dave Navarro and Dr. Drew Pinsky among those set to take part. The HBO-originated series was created by David, the co-creator of Seinfeld. It also stars Cheryl Hines and Jeff Garlin.

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Coffee drinkers taking it in house: Study
There is a trend of patrons buying coffee machines for home use from those very establishments, a new survey reveals. The NPD Group's survey showed that single-serve coffee makers for home consumption seen sales go up by 103 per cent in 2009 both from the coffee houses and the retail market. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Chef Jenny Chan's slogan for Vero is "Welcome to My Heart," which explains the earnest, well-executed dishes.

Hand-rolled sweet potato gnocchi ($14) with a special wild boar bacon, paired with sharp gorgonzola, crunchy walnuts and tangy 10-year balsamic reduction make for a lovely composition.

A special Caesar salad has a delicious roasted garlic dressing with an "anchovy confit" served in a colourful radicchio cup. But a side of lentils felt out of place on the plate.

Olive and parmesan-crusted lamb chops ($33) were top-notch, about five meaty pieces cooked perfectly medium rare, and served over roasted red pepper coulis, potato puree and vegetables.

The lobster risotto had the right flavours, but the rice's mushy texture was slightly off.

Dinner finishes off well with a tiramisu ($9) soaked in espresso and dark rum.

Busy nights reveal Vero's weakness. Diners with reservations spill out of the tiny entrance onto the sidewalk as the front-of-house gets backed up between seatings. Acknowledgement of this ranges from non-existent to awkward.

To avoid the chaos, take advantage of mid-week specials with the purchase of a bottle of wine, like a dozen free oysters on Wednesdays or an artisanal cheese plate on Thursdays.

On the web

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Hand-rolled sweet potato gnocchi ($14) from Vero.

Global Peasant blog online

- Travel along with Diane Thompson's culinary adventures in her Global Peasant blog.
- Check out metronews.ca/globalpeasant for a recipe of Grilled Asparagus with Asiago Butter.

Dining out

GRILLED CHEESE Janice Beaton Fine Cheese (1017 — 16th Ave. SW) has opened a grilled cheese bar inside its shop, featuring warm and melty sandwiches on fresh baked ciabatta buns from Manuel Latruwe Belgian Patisserie.

CURRY NIGHT Hot and spicy curry is the spotlight of a buffet at PaSu Farm, north of Calgary, Saturday at 7 p.m. for $45 per person. Call 1-800-679-7999 for reservations.

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In brief

FOOD FOR THOUGHT Meet local farmers, chefs and community food groups on Sunday, 6 to 9 p.m. followed by a screening of documentary, Food Fight, at the Uptown (612 — 8th Ave. SW). Tickets $15.

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Ryder returning

Looks like Winona Ryder is launching her own comeback story. The '80s icon has landed a leading role in the Ron Howard-directed film, previously called Cheaters, starring Vince Vaughn and Kevin James, ew.com reports. METRO WORLD NEWS

Celebrity Buzz

Follow these celebrities on Twitter...

CelebTweets

RANIA AL ABDULLAH is feeling refreshed, **DIABLO CODY** doesn't want you to believe the tabloids, and **JOHN MAYER** is going to stick to the guitar.

@QueenRania
Nothing like a family break to kick start Spring! Also a great way to get closer to the kids.
@diablocody
I'm not "secretly married." I married Dan last summer. Took wedding photos in Times Square, which is pretty much the opposite of secretive.
@johncmayer
I'm such a bad DJ, my song transitions could be used as a weapon in war to disorient the enemy.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Bullock, hubby have no sex tapes: Rep

FOR THE RECORD Sandra Bullock's representatives have moved swiftly to dismiss reports the actress' estranged husband Jesse James has more than a dozen homemade sex tapes allegedly featuring the estranged couple, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The actress walked out on James and left the couple's marital home in March, when allegations first broke that he had been unfaithful with a string of women.

She has yet to comment on the scandal, but online reports suggesting James possesses a graphic sex tape he could possibly use as leverage in a divorce case have prompted her aides to speak out.

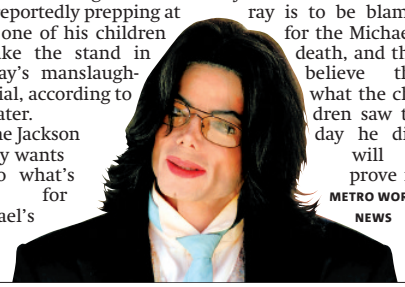
Bullock's rep tells People.com, "There is no sex tape. There never has been one and there never will be one."

James — who has publicly apologized to his wife and admitted he deserves "everything bad" which may come from his "bad judgement" — is currently in rehab receiving treatment for sex addication but is keen to save their marriage. METRO WORLD NEWS

MJ kid may take stand during trial

FAMILY THAT TESTIFIES TOGETHER In their efforts to prove Conrad Murray guilty for the death of Michael Jackson, the late singer's family is reportedly prepping at least one of his children to take the stand in Murray's manslaughter trial, according to Popeater.

"The Jackson family wants to do what's best for Michael's children and understand how traumatic it would be for them to take the stand," a source says. "However, they honestly believe that Dr. Murray is to be blamed for the Michael's death, and they believe that what the children saw the day he died will prove it." METRO WORLD NEWS



Cheating? 'It happens'

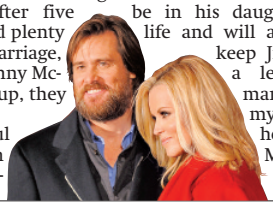
NEVER MIND THE INFIDELITY, HERE COMES WHOOPI In an attempt to defend Jesse James, Whoopi Goldberg admitted she herself has been unfaithful when she was married. While discussing James' alleged infidelity in his marriage to Sandra Bullock with her The View co-hosts, Goldberg said, "I cheated when I was married. I made those mistakes too. Yeah, it happens."

She didn't specify during which of her three marriages the cheating took place. Goldberg also refused to blame James for his current predicament, saying infidelity is "nobody's fault." METRO WORLD NEWS

Carrey, McCarthy part ways

COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS BEFORE YOU QUIT After five years together and plenty of talk about marriage, Jim Carrey and Jenny McCarthy have split up, they announced.

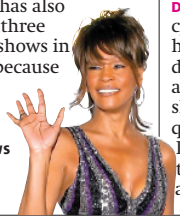
"I'm so grateful for the years Jim and I shared together. I will continue to be in his daughter's life and will always keep Jim as a leading man in my heart," McCarthy said in a statement.



Carrey took to his Twitter account to break the news, posting "Jenny and I have just ended our five-year relationship. I'm grateful for the many blessings we've shared and I wish her the very best." METRO WORLD NEWS

Infection stops Whitney tour

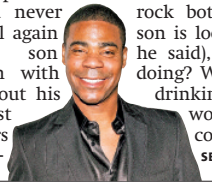
IN SICKNESS Whitney Houston has been hospitalized in France for "nose and throat problems" after cancelling the opening gig of her European tour earlier in the week because of a respiratory infection, according to Hollyscoop. Houston has also canceled three planned shows in the U.K. because of the illness. METRO WORLD NEWS



Never drink, never again

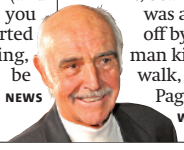
DRUNK DADDY? NOT COOL Tracy Morgan promised himself he'd never drink alcohol again after his son shamed him with questions about his DUI arrest three years ago, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

He recalls, "That was rock bottom... My oldest son is looking at me (and he said), 'What are you doing? What if I started drinking and driving, would that be cool?'" METRO NEWS SERVICES



Catwalk kiss too much for Connery?

PECK PEEVE During his fashion event, Dressed to Kilt, Sean Connery was allegedly put off by a man-on-man kiss on the catwalk, sources tell Page Six. METRO WORLD NEWS



Love ain't lucky in romance

CHEATED AND MISTREATED Newly single Jennifer Love Hewitt admits she hasn't had the best romantic track record, even disclosing to Ryan Seacrest on his radio show that she's been cheated on several times.

"It's brutal," she says. "Once I found out on television, and that was awesome. And then another time I found them together." METRO WORLD NEWS

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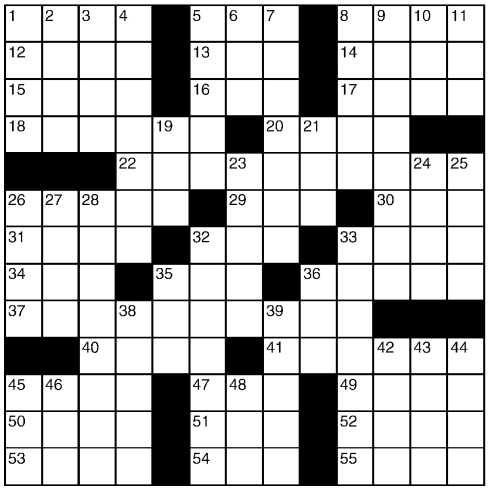

Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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5 List-ending abbr.
8 Presage
12 Director Preminger
13 Mai — (cocktail)
14 Mysterious character
15 Blue hue
16 Attila, e.g.
17 Kin of 5-Across
18 Personify
20Supplemented, with "out"
22 Olympians' prizes
26 Eng's closest relative
29 Shaft of light
30 AAA job
31 Entice
32 Gender
33 Antitoxins
34 Einstein's birthplace
35 "Eureka!"
36 Rice field
37 Retreats
40 Achilles' downfall
41 Manually
45 Bedouin
47 Retriever type
49 Met melody
50 Actor LaBeouf
51 Id counterpart
52 Bigfoot's kin
53 Soak up
54 Still
55 Lip

DOWN

1 Love too much
2 Couple, to a gossipmonger
3 Impale
4 Scent
5 — alcohol
6 Greek cross
7 HBO offshoot
8 Nurture
9 Passe
10 "CSI" evidence
11 Conger, e.g.
19 Follow relentlessly
21 Crucial
23 Fear, and then some
24 Parliamentary title
25 Vacillate
26 Organization
27 Luau entertainment
28 Monday morning quarterback's place
32 "Frankenstein" author
33 Walks the catwalk
35 Mimic
36 Thickness
38 Skewered entree
39 Monastery VIP
42 Vicinity
43 Little lice
44 Speaker's spot
45 Fool
46 Sigma preceder
48 Time of your life?

PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

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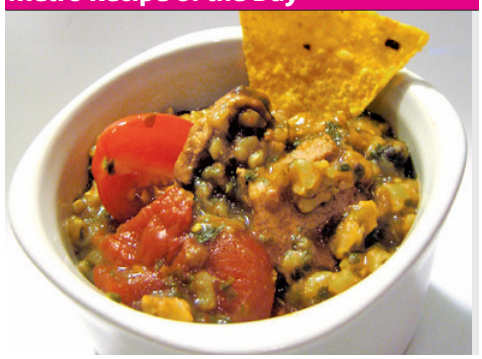
Metro Recipe of the Day



Chili Verde

Submitted by Karen Gold
PREP TIME: 20 MINUTES
COOK TIME: 45 MINUTES

INGREDIENTS:
1 pork tenderloin
1 bunch cilantro
1 large red onion
5 cloves garlic
6 tomatillos
3 large anaheim peppers
4 jalapeño peppers
Dash lime juice
½ cup rice
2 1/2 cup chicken broth
1/2 teaspoon cumin seeds
1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
1 teaspoon black pepper
1 can black beans (optional)

METHOD:
1. Slice the pork tenderloin and sauté in a large pot until cooked.
2. Meanwhile, roast the peppers and tomatillos on the top shelf in a 400° oven.
3. Pulse the tomatillos in a food processor.
4. Remove the pork tenderloin pieces from the pot and add the onions, garlic and dry ingredients and sauté.
5. Toss the roasted peppers, garlic and cilantro in food processor with the tomatillos, and pulse again.
6. Once the onions are brown, add the meat back in the pot.
7. Add green mixture from food processor to the pot, and add rice and chicken broth. Add black beans if desired.
8. Simmer 45 minutes. If you have more time, slow cook for hours to marry all the flavours.

SERVES 6-8

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ARIES ♈
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
Let other people make decisions for you today. If they are the right decisions it will save you a lot of time and trouble.

TAURUS ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
There are so many things you want to change but circumstances beyond your control are holding you back. Look on the bright side.

GEMINI ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
If someone is critical of what you are doing today don't react as if it's the end of the world. It isn't, though it may be the end of your friendship.

CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
You are not the easiest person to get to know and the Sun in Aries at this time of year does not exactly put you in a talkative mood.

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
You've got so many ideas swirling around inside your head but there is not much you can do with them at the moment. File them away

VIRGO ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
Don't take chances with money and don't let others take chances for you. Wwhy should you when you are happy with what you have got?

LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
Don't rush into something today simply because you fear getting left behind. According to the planets you will gain more in the long-term

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
Someone you live or work with needs a few words of encouragement and you are the one who must give them.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
Forget about your own needs and ask yourself what you could do that would make the people you care for in this world truly happy.

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
Your career and your social life are pulling you in different directions and at some stage today you will have to choose between them.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
Is it possible to have too much of a good thing? Maybe, but how do you know until you have tried?

PISCES ♓
FEB 19-MARCH 20
You may not be able to summon up enthusiasm for something you have been told you have to do, but if you treat it as a game it won't be so bad.

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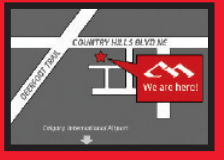

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